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SCREENING SURVEY FOR RADIATION AT REGUNNING PIER HUNTERS POINT NAVAL SHIPYARD, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

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Screening Survey for Radiation at Regunning Pier

Introduction

A Navy map was discovered at the former Hunters Point Naval Shipyard (HPSY) showing an area of the regunning pier labeled "NRDL barge." The area is located east of the very large crane on the pier (see Figure 1.) NRDL refers to the Naval Radiological Defense Laboratory. Due to the history of NRDL activities at HPSY, radioactive materials may have been used in this area.

A second area, directly under the crane, is labeled, "Concrete Test Pad." This pad is still in place. Its function appears to be related to the crane, although it was suggested that radiological tests might have been performed on the pad.

On June 15 and July 7, 2001, screening measurements were made in and around these areas to determine if any elevated radiation levels were present. This short report provides the results of those measurements.

Methods

Two types of measurements were made. First, ambient gamma ray levels were measured using a portable radiation detector. Secondly, measurements were made of surface radioactivity at selected locations. These measurements were made with a detector sensitive to alpha and beta radiations.

Instruments

Ambient gamma radiation was measured using a 2-inch by 2-inch sodium iodide (NaI) gamma scintillation detector system (Ludlum Instruments Model 2350-1 ratemeter/scaler coupled to a Ludlum Instruments Model 44-10 detector). This radiation detection system measures gamma rays with energies in the range of about 80 to 3,000 kilo electron volts (keV). This energy range includes gamma rays emitted by radium-226, cesium-137 and a large number of other radionuclides. The detector was calibrated on 8/21/00 (within a year of the survey date). The instrument calibration was checked daily, using a small radium source. Attachment 1 contains copies of detector and calibration information.

The second instrument is a Geiger-Mueller detector (Ludlum Model 44-9). This consists of a 2 1/2" diameter detector designed to lay flat on surfaces. The detector was calibrated in July 2000, and recalibrated immediately after this survey. The recalibration certificate is shown in Attachment 1. The instrument calibration was checked daily, using a small radium source.

Results

The east survey area is shown in Figure 1. Ambient gamma levels for this area are plotted in Figure 2. Levels have been correlated to surface materials, as suggested by the figure. Dark blue colored asphalt exhibited the highest gamma ray levels, and light blue colored asphalt the lowest. Unpaved and concreted areas exhibited intermediate gamma ray levels. Levels have been averaged over surface material. These averages are given in Table 1.

These variations are not unusual, since background gamma ray levels are variable, and depend on the surface materials present, among other factors¹. Raw data are given in Table 2 and Figure 3.

Finally, the geiger-counter measurements made over drains, surface cracks, and other unusual features, all showed background levels. Results are given in Attachment 2.

Conclusions

Measurements made during this screening indicate that only background levels of radiation are present on the areas of the regunning pier that were surveyed. No unusual radiological conditions were detected during this work.

¹ See Screening Survey for Radiation at IR-02 Storage Shed, May 8, 2001.

Table 1. Summary of 1-min Gamma Counts

Surface	Ave.
<u>Material</u>	CPM
Asphalt: - Light blue - Dark blue	2450 4133
Concrete	3120
Dirt/gravel	3596

Notes:

Measurements taken 1m above grade. CPM = gamma counts per minute.

Table 2.
Results of 1-min Gamma Counts (from July 7, 2001)

Dist. North (ft.)	Dist. East (ft.)	СРМ	Dist. North (ft.)	Dist. East (ft.)	СРМ
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40	0	2259	0	80	4315
60	0	2204	20	80	4378
60	20	2325	40	80	4361
40	20	3660	60	80	2587
20	20	4236	60	100	2487
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0	40	3173	20	100	4454
20	40	4323	0	100	4119
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60	40	2241	20	120	3890
60	60	3055	40	120	3954
40	60	4087	60	120	2624

Notes:

Measurements taken 1m above grade. CPM = gamma counts per minute. Reference point is southwest corner of area.

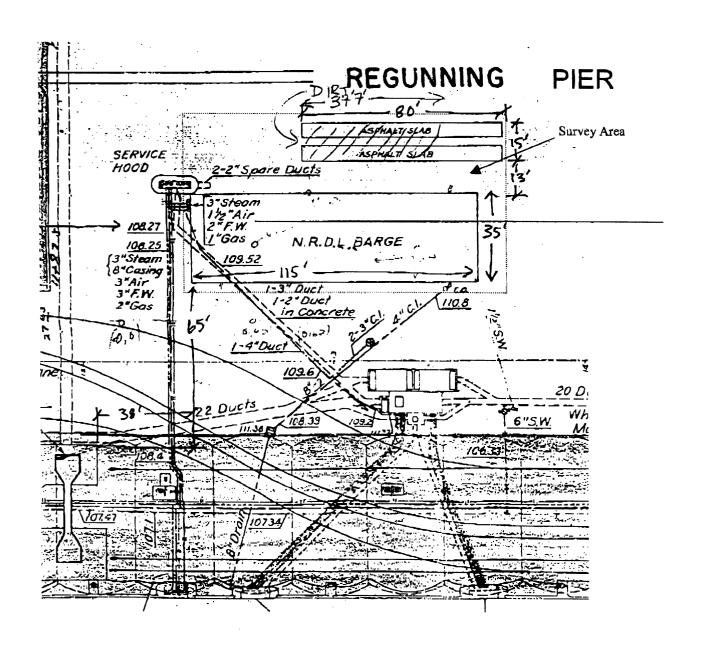


Figure 1. Regunning Pier Area - East of Overhead Crane (historical details)

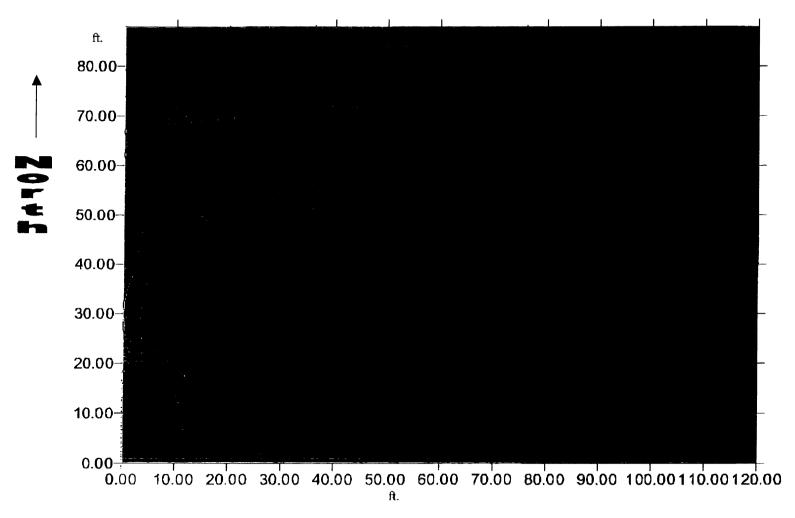
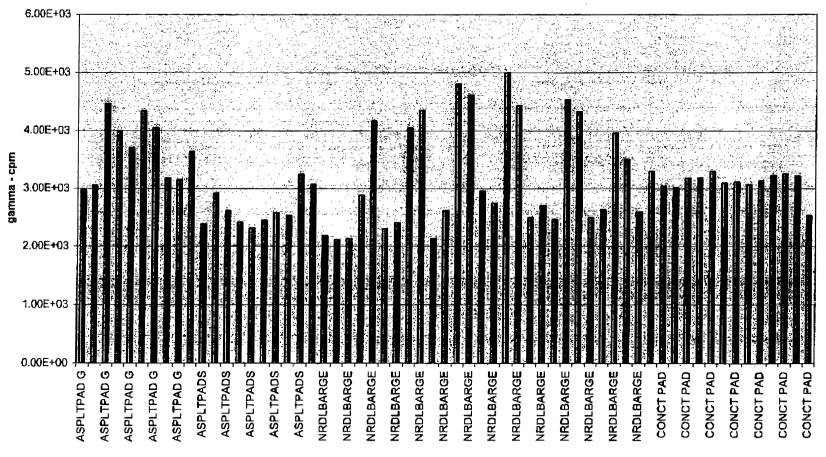


Figure 2. Gamma Radiation Levels Contour Map of Survey Area (units = c.p.m.)

FIGURE 3. Regunning Pier Area 06/15/01, 60-sec Readings



Note: ASPLTPAD G = grass area, formerly asphalt pad. CONCT = concrete.

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CALIBRATION OF SURVEY INSTRUMENT

Report No: 03

Applied Sciences Co. Altn: Joel Cehn 1036 Hubert Road Oakland, CA 94610

Purchase Order #: Account #: 12534-00

Calibration Date: July 11, 2001

Instrument: Bicron

Model #: Surveyor M Probe: 44-9

Serial #: <u>A315X</u> Probe Serial #: 010357

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Notes: Calibrated to a pulse generator traceable to NIST in accordance with MIL-STD-45662A Response to: Isolope: 137Cs Activity: 1 mR/h

Instrument Response: 4.000 cpm For Probe: 44-9 Temperature: 68° F, Humidity: 46%, Barometer: 758 mm.

A complete record of each instrument calibration is maintained in our files. Battery checks and routine preventive maintenance are also included as a part of the calibration procedure. The Calibration Due date is only a suggestion. The actual frequency of re-calibration may vary depending on regulatory requirements.

Next Calibration Due: July 2002

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ATTACHMENT 2

SURVEY SHEETS FOR SURFACE MEASURMENTS

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